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FOR: HYDANTOIN-RACEMASE

PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)

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Applicants respectfully petition that the present application be revived under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The national stage under 35 U.S.C. 371 of the above-identified International PCT application was due to be entered in the United States as a designated office by May 27, 2001. However, due to an unintentional and inadvertent error, the application was not timely filed. Applicants state that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Accompanying this petition is a complete application under 35 U.S.C. 371 including payment of the appropriate basic national fee and an English translation of the International PCT application.

A check in the amount of \$1280.00 is being submitted herewith to cover the required petition fee.

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Applicants therefore believe that the present application is in proper condition to be revived and restored to a pending status. An early and favorable decision is hereby earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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